

...night at the Castle...
...the thirty-second...
...the formation of the Knights...
...order will be celebrated by...
...ecatur lodges in the Castle...
...members of Chevalier Bayard...
...189, will celebrate by giving...
...ment at their hall in the...
...ock. The following program...
...arranged: orchestra.
...Rev. Finley Smith...
...Misses Lister and Whitman...
...Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gier...
...Miss Fank...
...Miss Ebert and Chas. Montgomery...
...Misses Whitman and Lowe...
...program there will be a...
...ladies will serve light...
...hall of Cœur de Leon lodge...
...the exercises will begin promptly...
...It will also be the 25th...
...ary of the organization of No...
...will be the program:
...Opera House Orchestra...
..."Blanche Song"...
...K. Harwood, Miss Mae Kimber...
...E. Lindamood, Harry Kepler...
...S. Neta Clark, Accompanist...
...Chancellor Commander...
...and night, Good night, Beloved...
...Opera House Orchestra...
..."Russian March"...
...Miss Beale Grist...
...the evening a number of steno...
...views will be shown...
...members and their invited friends...
...at both celebrations. A ges...
...time at both halls is confident...
...ed.

THE EARTH RENT.

Eight Cars of Dynamite Explode in the Transvaal.

AN ENTIRE CITY IS DESTROYED

Hundreds of Whites, Malays, Kafirs and Chinamen Killed and Wounded—Bodies Blown Into Shreds—Friends Unable to Recognize the Dead.

Palaces in Johannesburg Turned Into Morgues and Hospitals—Boers and Uitlanders Join in Giving Relief—Half a Million Dollars Raised for the Sufferers.

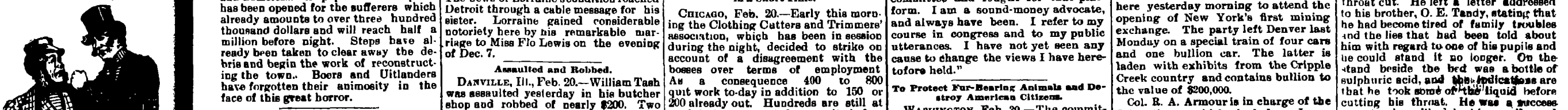
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Feb. 20. (Copyrighted by the Associated Press.)—Last night a dynamite explosion in the suburban town of Viedendorp, probably the most disastrous on record in any point in the world, by which thousands of people were rendered homeless occurred. About one hundred were killed and two or three hundred men, women and children were severely wounded and many others more or less injured. Viedendorp is a railway junction to transfer for the mining districts. The town is made up of the poorer classes of whites and Malays, Kafirs and Chinamen employed about the place. In the railroad yards, ready to be switched to the mines, stood eight trucks loaded with dynamite. As the evening approached all the trucks exploded, leaving a hole in the ground two hundred feet long, eighty feet wide and thirty feet deep. The earth for miles around was convulsed as if by an earthquake; houses rocked and fell; masses of iron, earth, stone, wood and human remains were hurled skyward. Windows in almost every house in Johannesburg were broken, and the people were blown through the air like straws before the wind. Whole neighborhoods were literally torn to pieces. Almost everything within a half-mile was razed to the ground. All about were blackened shapes of human remains, limbs, heads, trunks, scorched and torn. The victims were mostly Malays, Kafirs and Chinamen, with a number of white people, including six girls who are among the victims. In a short time after the explosion forty dead were picked up, together with two hundred severely wounded, who with hundreds of others less dangerously hurt were taken to places where they might be cared for. Thousands were rendered homeless and a charge on the charitable. Every physician in Johannesburg is assisting in the care of the wounded. The Wanders club's gaily decorated club rooms are being used as a mortuary chamber. In it are horrible lines of memberless, blackened trunks, rows of charred arms and legs, crushed and burned heads, halves of feet and pieces of flesh tied up in balls. Around the club room and scene of the explosion are seen most harrowing scenes. Fathers looking for children, wives staring blankly at what seemed to be the remains of their husbands, many of them hunting for traces of their dead. The supposed cause of the explosion is one of the boxes, not knowing the character of the contents, exploded the dynamite. All of the hospitals are filled with sufferers and many private houses have been turned into refuges for the wounded and homeless. A popular subscription has been opened for the sufferers which already amounts to over three hundred thousand dollars and will reach half a million before night. Steps have already been taken to clear away the debris and begin the work of reconstructing the town. Boers and Uitlanders have forgotten their animosity in the face of this great horror.

SULLIVAN FATE.

Resident of That Place Commits Suicide.
Indianapolis, Ind., yesterday after Deputy County Prosecutor Charles orth, 25, committed suicide by himself. He had been given notice to file his report in court as for the American Lounge com. He was an embezzler for about and when he left court went d. his room at the residence of M. Rowe, No. 124 North Meridian and took his life. Newsorthy in Sullivan, Ill., graduated at university, and afterwards at Chicago Law school. He came to Chicago to notify Kitty Egger, of Sullivan, of his death.

LITERARY NOTES.

are's Magazine for March will interesting passages from the one by Abraham Lincoln, in the legislature in January, 1831, the earliest speech of which any record remains, hitherto unnoticed by any sraphers. It is in his most st- raph that mingling of genial with perfectly clinching arg- or which he afterward became. Along with these passages will be entirely new and reminiscences of Lincoln's in the legislature and of his hus- ining as a lawyer at Springfield. There will be a full quota of li- tures; among them four portraits, one, two of which have never been published, and a view of his w office.



MAHER BECOMES WINDY.

The Fight Will Surely Come Off, It Is Said.

CUBANS DEFENDED.

Speeches By Call and Others in Favor of Recognition.

SENATOR CAMERON HAS A SCHEME.

The Prize Fight to Come Off To-morrow—Horrible Accident in the Hanging of Fitzgerald at St. Louis.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—In the senate this morning a letter was read from the secretary of the treasury as to the coin and other money in circulation. Hill (N. Y.) called attention to the numerous resolutions relating to foreign affairs passed by the house and senate, some joint, some concurrent and some individual act of the house. There is no authoritative decision as to which of the resolutions referred to required the signature of the president to make it operative. He offered a resolution which was agreed to directing the judiciary committee to report on the subject. This action he regarded as having important bearing on the pending resolutions relating to foreign affairs.

THE PACIFIC CABLE

Under Consideration by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

CAUTIOUS CARLISLE.

While Desiring to See a Democrat Elected from Kentucky, Refuses His Influence FOR EITHER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The text of Secretary Carlisle's letter to the Kentucky democracy, reference to which has been made in Kentucky dispatches, was as follows: GENTLEMEN: Your telegram, in which you appeal to me "to request and urge the five democratic members of the assembly to join with us (you) in voting for him," was duly received, and has been given the careful consideration which its object and the number and character of its signers demanded. Inasmuch as the five gentlemen referred to are acting in a representative capacity and are familiar with the whole situation and all the circumstances connected with it, I am bound to assume that they are more competent than I am to determine what their duty to the party and their constituents is and how that duty shall be discharged, and an attempt by me to influence their action might very properly be regarded by them as a presumptuous interference in a matter of the gravest importance which has been committed solely to their own judgments. But even if this were not so, I have no right to assume that the honest convictions of the five gentlemen alluded to in your communication could be changed by my interference, or that they could be induced to act contrary to such convictions by advice which they have not solicited. Having heretofore tendered no advice or made any suggestion, directly or indirectly, to any member of the general assembly, on either side of the unfortunate controversy now existing, I must respectfully decline to do so now or hereafter. It may not be considered inappropriate in this brief response to your appeal to assure you that I will at all times cheerfully co-operate in any proper manner with you and all others in any effort that may be made to unite all our friends in supporting the democratic organization in Kentucky and maintaining sound democratic principles and policies, as declared by the constituted authorities of the party, state and national, and to repeat what has been said to all who have cared to ascertain my views upon the subject, that I sincerely desire to see the present general assembly elect to the senate of the United States a democrat who is in full sympathy with these objects. Very respectfully, J. G. CARLISLE.

To Hon. C. J. Brontson, Hon. H. L. Martin, Hon. Fenton Simms, and others, Frankfort, Ky.

THE DOOR IS OPEN.

Now Let the Means for Affording Relief Come Forward.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The National Armenian relief committee received yesterday the following cablegram from Miss Clara Barton, president of the National Red Cross: CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 19, 1896. To Spencer Trask, New York. Entrance and protection given. No obstructions. CLARA BARTON. This cable, taken in connection with a dispatch received from Mr. Terrell, United States minister to Turkey, ending with the words: "The door is thus opened wide for charity," removes all question as to the possibility of funds contributed in America being promptly and wisely distributed among the Armenian sufferers. The National Armenian Relief committee having, by agreement with the Red Cross, the general charge of raising funds and supplies throughout the United States for Armenian relief work, now appeal for money to forward at once to Turkey.

BLOODY DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

A Man Kills His Neighbor and Then Makes His Own Destruction.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 20.—The little four-room cottage 11 Plymouth avenue, was the scene of a double tragedy yesterday noon, Jacob Moser, 65 years of age, one of the tenants, shot and killed his neighbor Mrs. Marguerite Senger, 32, who lives in the same house, and then shot himself. The two families have been on unfriendly terms for some time, and yesterday noon the man went to the rear door of the house, and walking into the woman's kitchen, exchanged a few words with her, then drawing a revolver, shot her through the neck. He then went to his own room, and after cutting his wrists and throat, he raised the pistol to his own head and sent a bullet through his brain. Dr. Hunter Comes Out Squarely for Sound Money.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 20.—In an interview yesterday Dr. Godfrey Hunter, republican nominee for United States senator, announced for the first time that he was for sound money. Mr. Hunter said: "In the state convention which declared unconditionally for a gold standard I was a member of the platform committee and fought for that platform. I am a sound-money advocate, and always have been. I refer to my course in congress and to my public utterances. I have not yet seen any cause to change the views I have heretofore held."

TO PROTECT FUR-BEARING ANIMALS AND DESTROY AMERICAN CITIZENS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The committee on ways and means yesterday ordered a favorable report on the bill of Mr. Dingley, of Maine, amending the act to prevent the extermination of fur-bearing animals in Alaska. An adverse report was ordered on the bill of Mr. Denny, of Mississippi, making it unlawful for any United States commissioner of internal revenue to grant or issue to any person or persons or corporation, a license for the sale of whisky or other intoxicants in any state, county or parish, where the law of such places prohibit the sale of liquor.

FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER AND CONDEMNED TO DEATH.

CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—At three o'clock yesterday a jury found Nic Marzen guilty of the murder of Fritz Holzhueter in this city on January 30, 1895, and condemned him to death. The murder was for money which Holzhueter was known to have for the purpose of buying cattle.

TO DELIVER A LECTURE ON WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Assistant Secretary Hamlin leaves here to-day for St. Paul, Minn., where he will deliver an address on Washington's birthday before the Minnesota democratic association.

A MADRERER RESENTED.

PERKINS, Ill., Feb. 20.—Albert Wallace, who a year ago shot his brother-in-law John Bowlsby, his sister, Mrs. John Bowlsby, and their hired man, and was sentenced to be hanged October 25 last, but was granted a stay of execution, was sentenced this morning to be hanged March 14, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m. This was the result of a quarrel over property left by Wallace's father to Mrs. Bowlsby.

TO PROTECT THE SALMON FISHERIES OF ALASKA.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Secretary Carlisle sent to the house yesterday the draft of a bill for the protection of the salmon fisheries of Alaska, recommending its passage.

BILL NYE STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS.

ASHVILLE, N. C., Feb. 20.—Bill Nye was stricken with paralysis at his home at Buck Shoals, eight miles from Asheville, Tuesday night, and his condition is such that his physicians fear he cannot recover.

TWO LADIES RUN DOWN BY A TRAIN AND KILLED.

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 20.—Mrs. Foster and Miss Irene Saunderson, of Church Hill, this city, were run over at the outskirts of the city yesterday morning by a Chesapeake & Ohio train and killed.

ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE TROY FIRE.

TROY, N. Y., Feb. 19.—The report yesterday that all the employees of the Stettinmer collar factory had been accounted for but the three whose dead bodies were found, has been found to be incorrect. Miss Amelia Brock, one of the operatives, is missing, and she is believed to have perished in the fire.

GIVING ARIZONA ANOTHER CHANCE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The house territories committee yesterday reconsidered the vote taken at the last meeting of the committee, at which a motion to report the Arizona statehood bill was defeated by a vote of six to five. This leaves the bill without prejudice and in the same position it occupied before the vote of last Wednesday.

FATAL EXPLOSION OF A LOCOMOTIVE BOILER.

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 20.—The boiler of the locomotive drawing the New York and Philadelphia express train on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western road exploded near Canisville yesterday. The engineer, John Keech, of Binghamton, was blown to atoms. The fireman, John Lewis, also of Binghamton, was so badly hurt that he died soon after being taken from the wreck. The shock to the passengers was a severe one, but serious injury was not sustained.

MUST BE CHOSEN ACCORDING TO THE DECISION OF CHAIRMAN CARTER.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 20.—Attorney-General Richards, who is a McKinley man, says that, in pursuance of the decision of National Chairman Carter, delegates cannot be selected in the tenth Ohio district by popular vote, as the district committee has ordered. The committee will be asked to withdraw the call, and if it refuses to do so a call will be issued for a convention to choose national delegates by the majority of the district committee.

MEMPHIS COUNTY CONVENTION.

PETERSBURG, Ill., Feb. 20.—The Memphis county republican convention was held in this city yesterday, when the following delegates were selected to the various conventions: State convention delegates—Hon. N. W. Branson, Hon. A. G. Nance, Lee Kincaid and George Roberts; congressional delegates—W. C. Rowe, G. T. Deal, W. R. Parks and R. I. Anderson; senatorial delegates—G. W. Hatch, Charles Rogers, Charles Cantrill and Edgar H. Dant. A resolution was unanimously adopted instructing the delegates to the state convention for Hon. Homer T. Tice, of this county, for secretary of the state.

TOOK POISON, WHEN CAT HIS THROAT.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Feb. 20.—Yesterday Jesse M. Tandy, a school teacher of Morgan county, was found dead in the Mitchell Hotel of this city, with his throat cut. He left a letter, addressed to his brother, O. E. Tandy, stating that he had become tired of family troubles and the lies that had been told about him with regard to one of his pupils and he could stand it no longer. On the stand beside the bed was a bottle of sulphuric acid, and the indications are that he took some of the liquid before cutting his throat. He was a success as a teacher, liked by his pupils and gave great satisfaction, to the directors and superintendent.

THE G. A. R. TICKET TROUBLE OVER.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 19.—A telegram from Commander in Chief Walker, of the G. A. R., this afternoon, in answer to a message from the local committee committee notifying him that the Wisconsin Central, Chicago-Great Western, Minneapolis and St. Louis and Soo railroads had agreed to the 1c rate and limits for the annual encampment, states that he has directed the adjutant general at Indianapolis to send him an order to New York and that he would receive it in that city in a few days. As soon as he receives it, he will fill it out and promptly promulgate it to the G. A. R., declaring the encampment shall be held in St. Paul and fixing the exact date therefor.

REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE MEETS.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 20.—The Republican County Committee of this (McLean) county held a meeting in this city yesterday, which was attended by a large number of representatives of the party from all parts of the county. R. L. Fleming, chairman, resigned, being a candidate for state attorney. Rolland A. Russell, of Bloomington, was elected his successor. It was voted to call the county convention for March 17, the primaries to be held on the 14th. A poll of the members of the committee as follows: McKinley, 43; Morton, Allison and Cullom, 1 each. Horace Clark, of Mattoon, candidate for governor, was present and made a brief speech. A canvass of the vote of the committee for governor did not give him a single ballot. The ballot gave Hopkins 24, Tanner 15, Rowell 5 and Fifer 2.

New plate will be made of all towns in Ford county.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 20, 1896.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 20, 1896.
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondence in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis, for the following market quotations:

	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Clos- ing.
Wheat—				
February	65 1/2	65 3/4	64 1/2	64 1/2
May	65 1/2	65 3/4	64 1/2	64 1/2
July	65 1/2	65 3/4	64 1/2	64 1/2
February	30	29 1/2	29 1/4	29 1/4
May	31	30 1/2	30 1/4	30 1/4
July	31	30 1/2	30 1/4	30 1/4
February	21	21 1/4	21 1/8	21 1/8
May	21	21 1/4	21 1/8	21 1/8
July	21	21 1/4	21 1/8	21 1/8
February	10 10	10 07 1/2	9 56	10 05
May	10 10	10 07 1/2	9 56	10 05
July	10 10	10 07 1/2	9 56	10 05
February	5 55	5 55	5 55	5 55
May	5 55	5 55	5 55	5 55
July	5 55	5 55	5 55	5 55
February	5 20	5 17 1/2	5 17 1/4	5 22 1/2
May	5 20	5 17 1/2	5 17 1/4	5 22 1/2
July	5 20	5 17 1/2	5 17 1/4	5 22 1/2

May wheat: puts, 64 1/2; calls, 65 1/2; curb, 64 1/2.
TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—OAR LOAN.
Wheat—Estimated, 46, Year ago, 24.
Corn—Estimated, 264, Year ago, 263.
Oats—Estimated, 156, Year ago, 137.
ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 4, Corn, 336; oats, 174.
Hog receipts 24,000, estimated 30,000.
Estimated for to-morrow, 20,000.
Trade in wheat small, and market inactive.
Trade in corn small—market dull.
Trade in oats fairly active.

(Oats to the west not being in working order early it was impossible for us to get the usual opening gossip, cables, live stock, etc. What we receive I will be found above.)
NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Stocks opened stronger, higher in sympathy with higher prices for American securities in London and liberal purchases for foreign account. Strength continued during the first hour.
Just before noon slight recessions occurred on realizing sales.

PROBIA QUOTATIONS.
PROBIA, Feb. 20.—Corn, eastern, No. 2, 25 1/2. Oats, steady; No. 2, white, 20 1/2. Rye, 38c.
ST. LOUIS MARKET.

St. Louis, Feb. 20.—Wheat, cash No. 2, red, 71 1/2. May, 63 1/2. Corn, cash, 25 1/2. May, 25 1/2. Oats, cash 19c; May, 20c.

NEW YORK MARKET.
New York, Feb. 20.—Butter, Eggs, Wheat, May, 71 1/2. Corn, May, 25 1/2. Oats, May, 20c.

DECATUR STOCK MARKET.
The following are the ruling prices paid by local dealers for stock:
Cows and calves.....2.50@3.00
Hogs.....3.75@4.00
Calves.....3.50@4.00
Sheep.....4.00@4.50
Export Cattle.....4.00@4.50

POULTRY MARKET.
Corrected daily by Max Atlas & Co.
Hens.....50c per lb.
Geese.....50c per lb.
Ducks.....50c per lb.
Eggs.....10c per doz.
Turkeys.....10c per lb.
Towels.....50c per doz.
Gobblers.....50c per lb.
Boussins.....20c per lb.

A Good Chance.
A chance to get a supply of street car tickets to last awhile and at a low price will be given Friday night by the street car company. That night only, thirty tickets will be sold for \$1. Clerks, office men, professional men and salesladies should make a note of this opportunity.

There is prospect of a large building being erected soon in Pekin. A structure three stories in height, planned especially for lodges and to contain assembly and drill room.

The young ladies of Dwight will give one of the finest leap year balls ever heard of in the Lyceum hall February 26.

The Manito Roller Mills has so much grinding to do that it is necessary for them to run the mill at night in order to fill contracts.

The fraternity ball at Manito is an assured thing, over \$1,500 having been raised in the last two weeks.

Drum is after the state encampment of the sons of Veterans.
WANTED—Immediately, agents for fast-selling article on commission. Call at Brunswick hotel this evening. Doty & Co., room 17.

CAMP GETS THE FARM

Litigation Settled by Elliott Agreeing to Take \$26,700.

WHITE PAWN SHOP CASE ON TRIAL.

A Few Orders on the Docket in the Circuit Court—Slow Progress in Trials.

The contract contest case of the M. B. Camp vs. George Elliott, growing out of the sale of a 320 acre farm in Harriestown township did not go to trial in the circuit court last evening. When the case was called Attorney Leforge representing Mr. Camp, said he was ready to go to trial, whereupon Attorney Bunn, of counsel for Elliott, passed over to a corner of the court room to have a conference with his client. A few moments later, Charley Hall was sent to Mr. Camp to make a proposition for Mr. Elliott. It was to the effect that he would now take \$26,700 for the land to stop further proceeding. Mr. Camp at once accepted the proposition and the principals and lawyers got together and effected a settlement by which the suit was dismissed. A year ago Mr. Elliott agreed in writing to sell Mr. Camp the farm for \$23,000. He failed to make the deed when the time came and Camp brought action to recover \$4,000 damages. Attorney Johns with Bunn & Park represented Mr. Elliott. There is a mortgage for \$12,000 on the place running to March 1, 1897. Mr. Camp will take possession of the farm at once.

Judge Vail will give his decision later in the case of the Catholic Knights of America vs. Mr. Dunn.

The case of Joe Reynolds vs. H. M. White is now on trial by jury.

COMMON LAW DOCKET.
St. Patrick's Branch, No. 464, of the C. K. of A., appellant vs. James A. Dunn; appeal. Trial by court pending.

Michael Rosentretts et al vs. Max Greenburg; confession. Judgment for \$47.51.

CHANCERY DOCKET.
The People's Savings & Loan Association vs. Murray G. Millikin; chancery. Order of reference set aside.

Frank W. Caldwell vs. Michael Scott; foreclosure. Decree pro confesso and referred to Master.

DELAYED THE BURIAL.

Failed to Order a Grave Dug at Macon Until the Cortage Arrived.

George Morris, aged 60 years, brother of Asa Morris, of West Cerro Gordo street, Decatur, died Wednesday at his home in Milam township. The burial was in the Macon cemetery late this afternoon. It was intended to have the interment take place at 1:30 p. m. and word was sent to Macon yesterday to have the grave dug, but the party who was told to have the grave prepared but forgot all about it until the funeral cortage arrived in the town this afternoon. Then he remembered the order, and proceeded at once to have the grave prepared. It took over three hours to make the excavation, and all that time the funeral party had to wait with as much patience as they could. The forgetfulness of one man caused all the trouble, but nobody felt more keenly the result of lapse of memory than did the gentleman himself.

Y. M. C. A. Conference.
A Y. M. C. A. conference of the Paris and Decatur districts will begin to-morrow at Tuscola. Secretary N. W. Woodford will take part in the exercises. W. W. Dawson, J. S. Bicknell and others of the local association will be in attendance.

In Justice Hardy's court to-day, after a trial, Ed. L. Martz got judgment against H. W. Fenton for \$44.80, the amount claimed for laying what Martin claimed to be extra concrete walk about the Fenton block. It is stated that Mr. Fenton will take the case to the circuit court.

Last night Clint Mattox and his wife, living in the Syndicate addition in the east part of the city, had a family row. Officer Shultz was sent for to settle the trouble. Mrs. Mattox had driven her husband out of the house and the policeman was unable to induce her to take him back.

Marriage Licenses.
Josiah Livingston, Whitmore tp.....34
Sadie E. Stuart, Whitmore.....33
Frederick M. Queck, Decatur.....32
Amelia Butzion, Decatur.....35
Jesse A. Cook, Decatur.....19
Ella L. Vanguish, Decatur.....19

Funeral Notice.
The funeral of the late James Jones will take place Friday, Feb. 21, at 12:30 o'clock at Long Creek church, conducted by Rev. C. G. Wood. The burial will be at the Winings cemetery.

The Grand.
The Flints will hold the boards three nights next week, beginning Monday.

Saturday night, February 23, Robert Downing will appear in the "Gladiator."

End a Crowd.
The Finnigan's Ball company had a good sized audience at the Grand last night and gave the comedy in capital style.

Library Will be Closed.
The public library will be closed Saturday on account of Washington's birthday.

The supervisors of Champaign county have established a library for the teachers of the county. There are already 100 volumes.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Read Spencer has returned from Chattanooga.

Dr. S. J. Bumstead has returned from Chicago.

Dr. Randall went to Warrensburg this morning on professional business.

Miss Ella Lester, of Danville, is in the city visiting Miss Rosa Ruckie.

Mrs. William Downey, of Westfield, Ill., is in the city visiting her aunt, Dr. Pierce-Collins.

Miss Anna Pegram, after a visit with her sister, returned yesterday to her home in Lincoln.

Mrs. George F. Hall and son, who have been at Kirksville, Mo., arrived home to-day.

B. S. Tyler and wife went to Long Creek this morning to attend the funeral of James Jones.

Y. C. Garrison, of Frederick, Ill., is in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. George Shank, on East William street.

Misses Ardie Wood and Edna Childs went to Argenta yesterday to spend several days with Miss Childs' brother's family.

Alderman and Mrs. Gus Ahrens are home from Chicago. They arrived last night and attended the Pythian celebration at Cœur de Leon hall.

Worth R. Bradley is in the city. He came down last night from Chicago, accompanied his wife. Mr. Bradley is now connected with the Illinois Central railroad company.

The Good Templars at Sullivan.
The district lodge of Good Templars, which was held at Sullivan, closed last night. The session was a successful one and the attendance was large. Tuesday afternoon the district degree was conferred upon twenty members. In the evening an open meeting was held, and Uriah Copp, Jr., the Grand Templar, made an address. Wednesday seven persons were initiated members of the Sullivan lodge. Wednesday night the convention closed with a musical program. It was decided to hold the next district lodge at Lake City on August 18 and 19. Among the delegates who arrived home to-day were Miss Rosa Ruckie, Miss Lucinda Johnson, A. F. Smith, and Ed L. Bevers, of La Place.

Society Event at Macon.
There will be a social event of special importance at Macon this evening at 6:30 o'clock, when Miss Mary E. Allinson and Carl E. Banta, of Greenwood, Indiana, will be united in marriage at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Allinson. The Rev. A. Willard, pastor of the Methodist church, will perform the ceremony. The bride lately resigned her position as assistant postmistress at Macon. Mr. Banta is a nephew of Supervisor O. H. Draper. The couple will make their home near Greenwood.

In Police Circles.
Andrew Vance, who was arrested last night for indulging in a fight, was brought before Justice Peddecord this morning and fined \$3 and costs, after passing the night in jail.

The trial of William Brust, who is charged with non-support of his wife and family, was brought up in Justice Shorb's court this afternoon. It is probable that the case will be compromised.

Shooting Match Postponed.
The handicap shooting match which was to have been held this afternoon at the Athletic park was postponed on account of the disagreeable weather. It will be held to-morrow if the weather is warm enough.

Fire Near the Depot.
The fire department was called about 9 o'clock this morning to extinguish a fire at the Illinois Central sand house, north of the depot. The fire, however, did not amount to much and the damage was slight.

EMIL LINDFIELD, a former member of the Y. M. C. A. of this city, who has been attending the Moody institute has just closed a successful series of revival meetings he has been holding at Amburst, Wis.

MARRIED.
At his office on Wednesday evening, February 19, Justice O'Neil united in marriage George E. Robinson and Miss Lizzie May Veach, both of this city.

Lived in a Hole in the Ground.
RED BUD, Ill., Feb. 20.—Larry Ward, an old resident of this city, was found dying at his place of abode last night. He was taken to the city hall, where he died soon after. For the past fifteen years he has lived in a hole in the ground, covered with planks, and would not allow any one to enter his place. He passed his time raising pigs and chickens. His place was a curiosity to all and, from his queer notion of not allowing any one to enter, many thought he had money buried. He owned the lot on which he lived. It was known that he was not well for the past week, and yesterday his neighbors, failing to see smoke coming from the chimney, investigated and found him unconscious. The roof had to be torn away to get him out. His bed was a dry goods box filled with straw. Ward at one time was well to do, but of late years he has been very poor. He was called "the hermit," or "ground hog." He will be buried by the city.

Ex-Convict Released.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.—Secretary Olney received a cablegram from Ambassador Eustis at Paris this morning saying that President Faure signed Walker's pardon and orders have been issued for his release.

The Vulcan Mine Disaster.
NEW CASTLE, COL., Feb. 20.—The presence of poisonous gases in the Vulcan mine has prevented the recovery of any more bodies.

TREMOU'S base ball club has been organized.

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DRY GOODS & CARPET COMPANY.

Corner of William, Franklin and Park Streets, with Entrance on William and Park Streets.

New Spring Goods.

Special Bargains This Week.

- 28 pieces Dress Plaids, 25c yd.
- 35 pieces Dress Serges, 29c yd.
- 100 pieces Henrietta, 39c yd.
- 27 pieces Silk, 75c and \$1.00.
- 8 pieces Striped Satin, 39c.
- Spangle and Jet Dress Trimmings, 5, 10, 15 and 25c.
- Fancy Buttons, 5c to \$2.00 each.
- Special sale of Belts, 25, 35 and 50c.
- Embroidery, 3, 7, 10, 15 and 25c.
- White, Cream and Linen Laces, 10, 15, 25, 55 and 75c.
- Just received first shipment of Ladies' Shirt Waists, 88 and 98c, worth 1.50. Ladies' Muslin Underwear, gowns 49c, drawers 25c, skirts 49c, corset covers 12 1/2c.
- Our Wrapper department is showing the best line of Wrappers in the city. Lot 1, 75c; lot 2, 98c; lot 3, 1.25; lot 4, 1.50.
- 8-button Suede and Glace Mousquetaire Gloves, 98c.

SPRING JACKETS AND CAPES.

- Jackets, this spring's style, \$4.98.
- Capes, this spring's style, 2.98.
- Silk and Velvet Capes, 7.50 to 18.00.
- Dress Skirts with Rustle Lining.
- Black figured Mohair, 3.49.
- Black plain Brilliantine, 6.50.
- Black and Blue Serge, 5.98.
- Immense assortment of Separate Skirts.

MILLINERY.

- Trimmed Hats, 98c, 1.98, 2.49 and 2.98.
- Untrimmed Hats, 25c, 39c, 49c and 75c.
- Tam O' Shanter, 50, 75, and 98c.

One case Dotted Swiss (very sheer and fine) special value, 15c yd.
One case White Dimity, assorted stripes, a bargain, 10c yd.
100 dozen Fancy Check Towels (for three days only) your choice 3 1/2c each.
20 doz. fine Mommie Side Board Scarfs, stamped with beautiful new designs; choice 49c each.
One case Gaufray Crepons, beautiful dark styles, at 10c yd.
200 pieces French Cambrics, full 36 inches wide, warranted fast colors, the handsomest line ever shown, all at 15c per yard.

New Carpets, Rugs and Wall Paper.

Sound of the Sunbeam.

One of the most wonderful discoveries in science that have been made within the last year or two is the fact that a beam of light produces sound. A beam of sunlight is thrown through a lens on a glass vessel that contains lampblack, colored silk or worsted or other substances, says a writer in *Pearson's Weekly*. A disk having slits or openings cut in it is made to revolve swiftly in this beam of light so as to cut it up, thus making alternate flashes of light and shadow.

On putting the ear to the glass vessel strange sounds are heard so long as the flashing beam is falling on the vessel. Recently a more wonderful discovery has been made. A beam of sunlight is caused to pass through a prism so as to produce what is called the solar spectrum, or rainbow. The disk is turned and the colored light of the rainbow is made to break through it.

Now place the ear to the vessel containing the silk, wool or other material. As the colored lights of the spectrum fall upon it sounds will be given by different parts of the spectrum and there will be silence in other parts.

For instance, if the vessel contains red worsted and the green light flashed upon it loud sounds will be given. Only feeble sounds will be heard if the red and blue parts of the rainbow fall upon the vessel, and other colors make no sound at all. Green silk gives sounds best in red light.

Every kind of material gives more or less sound in different colors and utters no sound in others.

A Good Chance.

A chance to get a supply of street car tickets to last awhile and at a low price will be given Friday night by the street car company. That night only, thirty tickets will be sold for \$1. Clerks, office men, professional men and salesladies should make a note of this opportunity.

DIED.

At Hot Springs, Arkansas, on February 19, C. E. Riley.

The home of the deceased was in Chicago. His widow was Miss Kate Sullivan, of Decatur, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sullivan, 814 North Clinton street. Mr. Riley was 28 years of age and has many friends in Decatur. He was employed for some time at Loeb's foundry.

The burial will be in Decatur. The body will probably arrive to-night or to-morrow.

Sales of Real Estate.

John McKenna to Daniel Weidner, the southwest quarter of 17, 15, 4 east—\$15,500.
Caroline M. Powers to D. E. Bullard, lot 1 in block 6 in Powers' first addition to Decatur—\$300.

Lizzie Q. Winter to Zaneta C. Hughes, lot 12 and 6 feet off of the west side of lot 13 in block 12 in Allen, McReynolds & Co's addition to Decatur—\$400.



...Fifty Styles...
New
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THE BOOK-KEEPER
or almost any office man wants a different shoe from the man who is on the street most of the time. He generally likes it lighter and is willing to have a little more style in it. We can suit him literally "down to the ground." Shoes for everybody at everybody's price at
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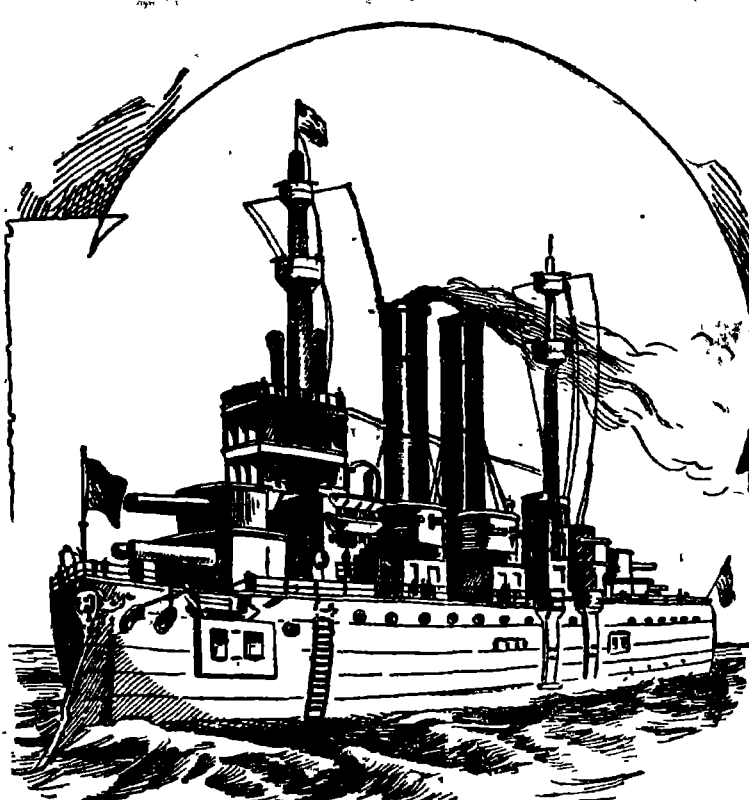
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Before having your new dresses fitted come
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THE NEW BATTLESHIP KENTUCKY.

She Will Carry the Largest and Most Powerful Guns Afloat.

The new battleship Kentucky will be the handsomest and most powerful piece of naval architecture afloat. In many respects this new addition to the American navy will be unique. Among these are double turrets, a new conning tower and 15-inch guns.

There is no battleship afloat to-day and hardly any fleet that could strike a single blow so terrific as the Kentucky or the Kearsarge, her sister ship. The reason for this is that each carries on the forward and after deck a double turret, each turret carrying two 15-inch guns. No European power has placed guns larger than 12-inch on any vessel.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

The Temperance Crusaders Criticized by Senator Hill

THE DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR BILL

Passes the Senate—The Army Appropriation Bill Goes Through the House—Conference Report on the Urgent Deficiency Bill Concurred In.

SENATE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The crusaders in the cause of temperance reform and Sunday rest laws were severely criticized in the senate to-day by Mr. Hill, in connection with a sheaf of petition in printed form, emanating from the W. C. T. U., against the sale of beer to immigrants landing on Ellis Island, in New York harbor, and to the men stationed on Bedloe's Island, and in connection with other petitions for a Sunday rest law in the District of Columbia.

Mr. Hill could not see how a glass of beer could be of great injury to the temperance cause, or have any serious effect on the health and lives of the immigrants. He thought, on the contrary, that it was a very welcome thing, and referred to the efforts of the well-meaning but misguided, who flooded congress with such petitions, as extreme paternalism or extreme Rooseveltism. As to the Sunday rest law for the District of Columbia, he did not see what interest people in New York could have in it, unless to regulate the conduct of their senators and representatives.

A resolution for an investigation as to the issue of bonds in 1894, 1895 and 1896, was offered by Mr. Lodge and went over till to-morrow. Notice was given by Mr. Morgan that he would bring up the Cuban resolution for consideration at 2 o'clock to-morrow.

The diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was passed, and the conference report on the urgent deficiency bill was agreed to.

The remainder of the day's session was spent in the passage of private pension bills and at 5:05 the senate adjourned until to-morrow.

The house was strictly "business" to-day and in the five hours' session disposed of two important measures. The first was the bill under consideration yesterday, to extend for ten years, the time within which the government may institute suits to annul land grants illegally or erroneously issued.

Mr. Hepburn's amendment to restrict the law officers to cases of fraud was rejected, as was also the amendment proposed by the committee on public lands to reopen Mexican and Spanish grants.

An amendment proposed by Mr. Loud (rep., Cal.) was agreed to, restricting the operations of the law to patents issued under railroad and wagon-road grants.

A substitute offered by Mr. McRae, (dem., Ark.) to repeal all legislation on the subject, was voted down—149 to 73—which was a test vote on the bill.

The army appropriation bill was passed without much discussion, but much of the new legislation proposed by the committee on military affairs went out on points of order. Among the propositions thus rejected was the one to compel the president to appoint paymasters from the line officers of the army alone, shutting out civilians.

The unanimous report of the committee on ways and means against the passage of the bill to regulate the issue of liquor licenses was submitted by Mr. Evans (rep., Ky.) and ordered printed.

The agreement of the conferees on the urgent deficiency bill was reported and concurred in.

At 4:45 o'clock the house adjourned until to-morrow.

GEORGETOWN is to have a new paper. Mr. Charles Clayton, of Potomac, will bring the new journal out next week.

About the Eye.

For people with sore eyes, weak, watery eyes, and red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, catarrh or otherwise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into a spoonful of warm water and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists.

WILLIAM GOSS, night clerk at the Doane House, Champaign, has resigned there and will become day clerk at the Hotel Harborsley as soon as it opens.

Ballard's Snow Liniment.

If you have a terrible pain in the small of the back, get a bottle of Snow Liniment. It will positively cure it and at once. Try it and recommend it to your friends. Sold by J. W. Eichinger and C. F. Shilling.

GREELEY NEIKIRK, of Forest City, has purchased a lively stable in Rolla, Mo., and will soon move there with his sister, Mrs. Collier.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the best known Remedy for Consumption, Coughs, Colds and All Throat and Chest trouble. Every bottle is guaranteed. It is the best remedy for children. Sold by J. W. Eichinger and C. F. Shilling.

There are thirteen members in the Topelka cornet band. It makes good music in spite of the unlucky number.

A HIGH-LIVER with a torpid liver will not be a long liver. Correct the liver with DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Little pills that cure dyspepsia and constipation. West's drug store.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.

Don't invite disappointment by experimenting. Depend upon One Minute Cough Cure and you have immediate relief. It cures croup. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. West's Drug Store.

H. C. SUTTER, of Kenney, recently bought land in Iowa, for which he paid \$40,480.

Mrs. SCHULER, wife of the druggist at Mt. Pleasant, is dangerously ill.

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To represent us in office and towns, soliciting orders for our high grade and complete line of Agricultural Implements, Tractors, Harrows, etc. Also men to work country trade on sale of our famous NORTHERN OILS, SEED POTATOES, and all the best of L. L. MAY & CO., Nurserymen, Florists and Seedsmen. ST. PAUL, MINN.

Feb 3rd

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June 4th

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Dry Goods
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were 25 to 30c, now.....10c
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Wheat, Corn and Rice, the three staples of life—are its ingredients. Get it at your grocer's. Beware of imitations. Sold only in red packages.

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Buy a package of Genuine Aunt Jemima's Self-Rising Pancake Flour, and if you do not find it makes the best cakes you ever ate return the empty box to your grocer. Leave your name and the error will be corrected and charge \$1.00.

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For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

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WANTED.

WANTED—ROOFING CONTRACTORS—Either slate, tin, galvanized steel, painted steel or "black diamond" prepared roofing, for all classes of buildings. Sheet metal job work executed in all its branches. For estimates, samples, etc., address Decatur Steel Roofing Co. or Brush Bros., phone 334. Jan 19-21

WANTED—The people to know that they can buy first-class second-hand furniture and stoves at half price. We have a splendid line of second-hand lounges and parlor suits newly upholstered and refinished, just as good as new. Bedroom suits, chairs, etc., at very low prices. Chicago Second Hand Store, 225 East Main street, first door west of Grindoli's marble shop. All kinds of furniture repairing done at short notice. April 14-21

WANTED—An agent in every section to canvass and sell the new and improved St. Louis, Mo. Office hours, 9 a. m. to 7 p. m. Apply to A. T. HUMPHREY, No. 145 North Water street, over E. D. Bartholomew's. A Queensware house, Decatur, Ill. July 16-dw

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FOR RENT—On or after March 15, a modern built cottage at 562 West Decatur street, all modern conveniences, bath room, closets, gas and gas range. Inquire 632, West Decatur street. Feb 14-21

FOR RENT—Furnish furnished rooms, steam heat and all modern conveniences, suitable for man and wife or young ladies, in the Traveler Hotel, 227 South Main Street. 19-21

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FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—The best house in Decatur for its size, 4 rooms, just finished, nicely papered, with bath, two closets, and a very large front porch, well and clean, or do you want a good six-room house, finished like the above that will be completed in about 30 days. I have two of each kind. For prices and terms see C. M. Barnett, C. L. Griswold & Co. Feb 14-21

FOR SALE—80 acres and 37½ acres, within five miles of Decatur. Gravel road all the way. Will be sold at a bargain. Possession given March 1st. It is known as the Harrells' land. Come and see me, over the citizens' National Bank. H. B. WISE. Feb 14-21

FOR SALE—A good, first-class farm of 100 acres, five miles from the city. All kinds of fruit, good improvements. In the city. All modern improvements. Will take a small house or one good lot as part payment. Property on one good lot, with sewerage and all improvements. ALSO, a good clean stock of fresh groceries. Inquire at 1099 West Main street. Jan 24-21

FOR SALE—Baled straw, corn, oats, ground feed for sale at T. B. Doake's, No 201 West Main street. Feb 14-21

FOR SALE—Horses on easy payments. I have some good work horses, and a few good stallions. Will sell on easy terms, for cash, or on time, or on easy payments. One good work team for \$25. Apply at my stable at west end of E. 10th street. E. B. URDICK. Aug 13-dw

FOR SALE—A five-room house on good lot in North Union street. A very desirable residence property. This is a snap. A three-room house on good lot in the 300 block on West Cerro Gordo street. Cheap. Two vacant lots on North Union street, one block north of Marlowe's. These are bargains. A 110 acre farm adjoining Elwin. Fair improvements. A 100 acre farm in Blue Mound township. Good land. No improvements. Residence property on West Main street, 8 room house with furnace, on street car line. Residence on East 11th street, 4 blocks east of Water street, 18 room house, very convenient, within two minutes' walk of high school, post office, court house and depot. For terms call and see Bunn & Park, real estate, loans, etc., 102 East Prairie street. Jan 14-21

FOR SALE—Eight hundred dollars buys three nice east front building lots, 24x122 each, on North Church street. One West Main street, 24x122 each. You can make 50 per cent on these lots by holding until spring. Come and let a show them. Peter H. Bruck, real estate broker, 225 North Main. Nov 15-21

FOR SALE—Good residence property on south side of Wood street, first block east of court house block. Seven rooms on lot 24x90 feet, basement, kitchen, dining room and cellar under the house. First class Palace King furnace goes with house. Fifty-foot lot, with driveway extra. City water and electric in house. On paved street and street cars pass door. W. F. Shade. Dec 21-21

FOR SALE—\$50 cash and 25 monthly payments of \$10 each, no interest, will buy a handsome building lot, east front, on North Church street. What more can you ask. Peter H. Bruck, real estate broker, 225 North Main street. Nov 15-21

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5, 10, 20, 30, 40, 70, 120, 180, 217 acres one to four miles from Decatur, well improved, 50 trade for city property.

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FOR SALE—A fine dwelling of nice rooms, with all modern improvements, with good barn. Will be sold at a bargain. Property located at 150 West Main street. Call on Edith Walker at 147 North Water street. 16b6 dw

FOR SALE—30 horse-power boiler complete, with all trimmings, for sale at Field & Wilson's on North Main street. 16b6 dt

FOR SALE—Nice lot, 4x122 on North Union street, fronts east. \$750 buys it; owner wants money. This lot will be a money maker in the spring. Have horse and buggy office to show you the property. Peter H. Bruck, Real Estate Broker, 225 North Main street. Nov 15-21

FOR SALE—80x122 one building lot, east front on North Church street; can be bought for \$100 and a cash account of closing partnership business. This is a snap! look it up. Peter H. Bruck, Real Estate Broker, 225 North Main street. Nov 15-21

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MISCELLANEOUS.

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made. \$1.00 per dozen. Prints shown. Accuracy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 127 N. 22nd St. Dec. 30 dwt 17

COAL—\$1.75 PER TON. GAS—Baylorville rockers screened, lump, clean, best coal sold. Try a load. V. H. PARKER & SON, sole agents, 821 N. Main street. Telephone, 25. Feb 14-21

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SEE DILTS—if you are wanting a tree, 12 feet or 14 feet high, well or your old well man deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes from 12 inches to three feet. 725 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. Nov 15-21

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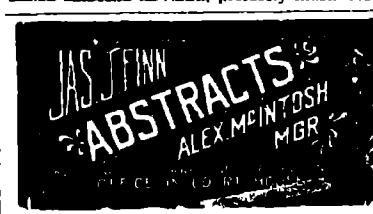
Man can't be as sick as a woman. As a man's organization is simpler and stronger, it follows that his ailments are less complicated. He is not subject to the changes and changes, physiologically, that come to the average woman.

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DRINKS OF MANKIND.
Tea, which rivals coffee in favor, is a native of China, where it has been grown for over 1,000 years. Pepsy's mentions having drunk it in 1660, showing that it was then a novelty.
Ale, which is more used in England than in America, is a heavier malted liquor than beer, and contains a small proportion of hops. It was a favorite drink of the Anglo-Saxons and Danes.
Coffee, the drink more highly regarded to-day than any other, was first used in Abyssinia in 875. Thence it was brought to Arabia. A Greek first introduced it to England, and made himself famous by the act.
Whisky, which is more democratic than wine, is distilled from various grains, from potatoes and from malted barley. It was named by the Celts in Ireland and Scotland. Brandy, a drink not so universally used, is distilled from wine.
So-called beer was made in England a long time ago by tapping spruce, fir, birch, maple and ash trees and using their juices. This process is still kept up in England and in this country where homemade beers from roots are much used.
Among the Egyptians, Greeks, Romans and Athenians beer was made from barley, while in Spain and Britain wheat was used for malting. Tacitus in the first century said that beer was the usual drink of the Romans, and the soldiers of Caesar introduced it into Britain.
A more aristocratic drink is wine, the use of which is as old as civilization. Its origin is ascribed to the gods. The culture of the vine began in Armenia and Pontus and speedily spread. The most famous of Asiatic wines was that of Chalyb, which furnished the tables of the Persian kings. Wine was not used by the most ancient Romans.
It will surprise those who like beer to hear that it is not a modern invention. It was made by the Egyptians many hundreds of years before the Christian era, as well as by the Greeks and Romans. We have received it from the ancient Gauls, who were great drinkers as well as feeders. Undoubtedly the use of beer was common as early as the use of wine.

FOR MY LADY'S EYE.
Long waistscoats with pocket flaps are stylish with Louis XV. coats of velvet or cloth.
Ribbon and chiffon ruffs are very full and deep. Immense director bows finish these dainty little affairs.
Velvet wears well for waists. Green and claret are the most durable colors and are quite becoming.
Tailor gowns of royal blue, Lincoln green or chestnut brown have smart vests of yellow suede embroidered in jet or gold.
Fichus of chiffon or mousseline de soie are edged with ruffles of the same or of lace. They are dainty fresheners for an old gown.
Velvet skirts are worn with coats of brocaded silk in delicate colors. Pannu de soie is one of the most popular materials for bodices.
Gown seen at the opera are of satin of ivory white. Square neck bodices are coming in with the pompadour nooses and are very flattering to thin necks.
Sleeves are slowly but surely growing smaller. The most fashionable shape at present is the bishop, with the fullness gathered into a flaring cuff.

THE MAKING OF PAPER.
Paper is made out of almost everything which can be pounded into a pulp. It is said that at present over 50 kinds of bark are used.

Leaves make strong paper, and nearly every kind of moss can be utilized. There are patents for making paper from sawings and sawdust, from thistles and tau bark.

Among the incongruous substances which have been used for pulp may be mentioned banana skins, bean stalks, pea vines, clover, timothy hay, straw, weeds, fur, hair, wool, asbestos, and husks of every kind of grain.

By way of an experiment the proprietors of a newspaper recently undertook to find the length of time necessary to make the paper and put it to use. A poplar tree was selected, and to chop, strip and load the necessary quantity of wood on a boat took three hours; manufacturing the pulp, 13 hours; making the pulp into paper, five hours; taking the paper to the newspaper office, 80 minutes, and to print 10,000 copies of the paper, ten minutes, making a total of 22 hours.

ART AND MUSIC.
Prince Edward of York being now a year and a half old is to be reproduced in a life-size marble statue.

Jules Cheret's posters have procured for him the commission to decorate one of the committee rooms of the Paris Hotel de Ville.

Mozart's "Don Juan" is to be given soon at the Munich Hof theater, in exact accordance with the original score, which was in the possession of Mme. Viardot-Garcia.

From the discovery of the remaining fragments of the hymn to Apollo at Delphi, imploring the protection of the Roman government for Adelphi and Athens, the date is fixed as being not earlier than the taking of Corinth by Memmius in the year 146 B. C.

INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE.
Diamonds have been discovered at Vallage, in northwest Australia.

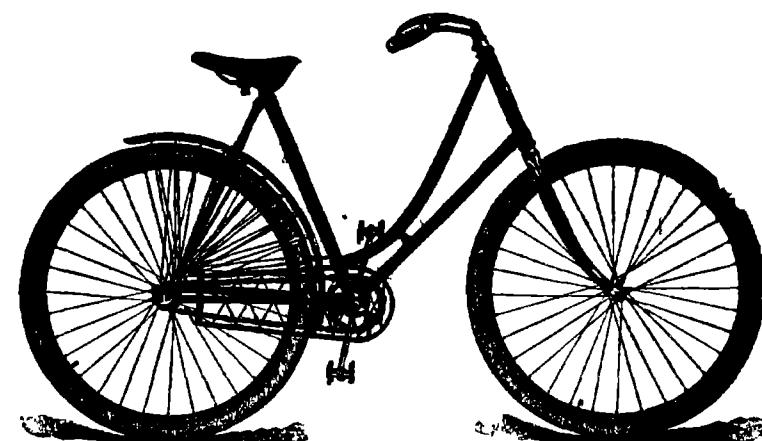
German exports to the United States during the last quarter of 1895 showed an increase of 50 to 100 per cent.

Alaska's output of gold last year is estimated at \$3,000,000. Of this, \$800,000 came from the Yukon placer mines.

The exports from Sheffield, England, to the United States during the year 1895 show an increase of \$150,000 (\$750,000) over those of 1894.

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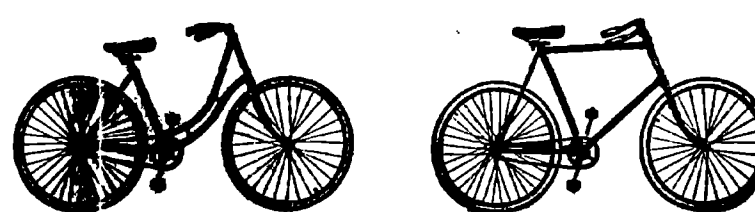
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ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce RODOLPH THOMAS as a candidate for Township Collector, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce ALBERT S. MORGAN as a candidate for the office of Township Collector, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

We are authorized to announce HUGH E. CARMICHAEL as a candidate for township collector subject to the decision of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce ARTHUR F. EVANS as a candidate for Town Clerk subject to the action of the Republican convention.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MASSONIC—Regular convocation of Beamanohel Commandery, No. 9, K. T., this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock. Installation of officers, M. G. HERMAN, E. C. L. HOVEY, Rec.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Regular meeting of Cour de Leon Lodge, No. 17, K. of P., on Thursday evening, February 20, at 7:30 o'clock in the old Calumet Club room in Opera House. Work in rank of Knight. Full attendance requested. Visiting Knights invited. J. H. YOUNG, C. C. F. W. WIMMER, K. of R. and S.

RATHBONE SISTERS—Regular meeting of Fern Leaf Temple, No. 15, R. S., this (Thursday) evening at 7:30 o'clock in Chevalier Bayard Castle hall. Visitors invited and members urged to attend. MADONNE COVE, M. E. C. IDORA J. CARTER, M. of R. and C.

COURT OF HONOR—Regular meeting of Decatur District Court, No. 39, this evening at 7:30 p. m. in G. A. R. hall. L. H. CLARK, Worthy Chancellor, J. M. BLYTHE, Recorder.

LOCAL NEWS.

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Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

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Auction sale of dry goods at Anstead's this week.

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EVERYTHING at popular prices at the Opera House pharmacy.

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MAMA eats a Cascaret, baby gets the benefit. Cascarets make mother's milk mildly purgative.

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Leave your prescriptions at the Opera House Drug Store, and they will be ready before the opera is over.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

The birthday anniversary of Ex-Senator W. T. Moffett was appropriately celebrated on Wednesday at his home in Blue Mound township. About 300 friends gathered at the home and partook of a splendid dinner. A number of valuable gifts were bestowed.

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Last night Miss Mary Wilkinson fell while skating at the roller skating rink and sustained injuries that will confine her to her home for several days. She fell head first to the hard floor and was severely bruised, besides sustaining a concussion of the spinal column. Dr. H. D. Heil was called to attend her and she was taken to her home on East North street.

School Houses Burned.

On Wednesday the school house in Long Creek, together with the township election booths, was destroyed by fire. Covered by insurance. It was a two story building. School was in session on the lower floor. All of the pupils got out safely.

The Bat holder school house in Illinois township burned to the ground on Monday.

For sale—A Big Bargain.

The property at the southeast corner of Main and Wood streets—first property south of Imboden's meat market—suitable for dwelling, boarding house or business property. Must be sold, and will go at a great sacrifice. Apply to W. Z. WALMSLEY, 10-dtf over Cheap Charley's Store.

THE PRESBYTERIAN DINNER.

The Ladies of the Church Serve Dinner to a Large Number of Persons.

At the First Presbyterian church today the members of section 3 of the Ladies' Aid society gave their annual dinner. There were about 200 persons present at noon to whom a splendid meal was served. The Presbyterian ladies have the reputation of serving good meals and they did not disappoint their patrons today. The menu consisted of roast turkey with cranberry sauce, chicken, roast beef, string beans, potatoes, corn, celery, coffee and plum pudding with hot sauce. To-night from 8 o'clock supper will be served. There will be cold meats, salads, bread and butter, coffee, ice cream and cake. Fine hand-made candy will also be offered for sale.

The people were seated at five long tables arranged in the banquet hall adjoining the church parlors. Mrs. Peter Loeb, the chairman, had general supervision of the affair, and Mrs. George Moeller and Mrs. S. T. Nesbitt assisted her. The ladies who had charge of the tables in the dining room were as follows:

First Table—Mrs. Anna Lytle and Mrs. S. McClelland, assisted by Miss Ida Lewis, Miss Mary Love, Miss Elvia Mark, Miss Edith Lytle, Mrs. Pollock and Mrs. James Lyons.

Second Table—Mrs. E. Morgan and Mrs. W. F. Neisler, assisted by Mrs. E. Mann, Mrs. W. H. Penhalligon, Miss Mamie Lewis, Miss Nellie Love and Miss Sarah Murphy.

Third Table—Mrs. A. H. Mills and Miss Edith Mills, assisted by Mrs. Alexander McIntosh, Mrs. Lower, Mrs. M. M. Parke, Miss Jennie Peake and Miss Jennie Bills.

Fourth Table—Mrs. T. P. Mathews and Mrs. Amelia Moore, assisted by Mrs. Peake, Mrs. P. B. Provost, Mrs. George Meyer, Miss Clara Phillips, Miss Mary Sterritt and Miss Laughlin.

Fifth Table—Mrs. Will Morrison and Mrs. Lewis, assisted by Mrs. W. W. Peddecord, Mrs. George Loring, Miss May Montgomery, Miss Hortense Lytle and Miss Jessie Meriwether.

RAN OVER A BABY CARRIAGE.

A Team of Horses Run Away and Injure a Child.

A team of horses hitched to a heavy farm wagon belonging to Ed Dillehunt ran away this morning on North Water street and ran over a baby carriage. A lady and her child had a narrow escape from being killed. The team was standing on Water street near the Shellabarger mill when the horses suddenly took flight at a passing train and broke away from the driver. Mrs. Oscar Schuler, who lives at 725 North Broadway, was passing on the sidewalk. She was pushing her little daughter in a baby carriage when the frightened horses dashed up on the sidewalk. The lady fell to the ground and narrowly escaped being run over and the wagon ran over the carriage. Fortunately the child was thrown some distance by the force of the shock before the baby carriage was mashed into splinters under the wheels of the heavy wagon. The child's escape from being killed was wonderful. She was taken to the office of Dr. Catto, who found that she was not seriously hurt. The child's face was bruised and her lip cut, but she did not suffer any more serious injuries.

The horses ran south on Water street, but were stopped before any further damage was done. One of the horses was seriously hurt. Its foot was injured and a big gash was cut on its side.

THE COLD SNAP.

Mercury Almost Down to the Zero Point Last Night.

Yesterday the temperature was down to 10 above zero. The cold snap kept up and started in afresh last night, and during the early morning hours the mercury was down close to the zero mark. Some say it was below zero, but all agree it was four above. The rise has been slow to-day. If the present frigidly continues Mr. Moffett and other dealers will yet have an opportunity to gather a good crop of ice close at home.

Stearns-Meeker.

C. B. Stearns, of Chicago, formerly of Decatur, and Miss Rose Meeker, were married Wednesday at the home of the bride in Sullivan. Mr. Stearns is now engaged in the job printing business in Chicago. The couple were in Decatur yesterday, accompanied by W. J. Mize, collector of internal revenue, Chicago, and by Mrs. Stearns, mother of the groom.

Lost a Dog.

Aristo Leech, the watchman at the Lion & Scruggs store, lost a valuable bull terrier dog this morning. It was stolen from its owner's residence at the corner of Clay and Webster streets early this morning. Leech valued the dog highly and offers a reward of \$5 for the recovery of the animal and \$10 for the discovery of the thief.

Sailed Yesterday.

Yesterday noon Mrs. J. W. Race, Miss Edith Race and Miss Irene Armstrong sailed for Europe on the Normania, of the Hamburg-American line. The vessel will touch at Algiers and is due at Genoa, Italy, on March 4. The party will stay in Italy until after the cold weather and will then go to Paris.

The favorite pianos are the Haines-Uprights and Reed & Son's instruments, on sale only at the C. B. Prescott music house. Step in and see them.

OGLESBY'S SPEECH.

Delivered at the Banquet of the Marquette Club.

HAS NOT BEFORE BEEN PUBLISHED.

He Endorses McKinley as a Soldier and a Candidate—Speaks of Bedevilmintism—A Speech That Captured McKinley and All Present.

Ex-Gov. Oglesby was present at the Marquette Club banquet in Chicago when ex-Gov. McKinley made his great speech on Lincoln on the anniversary of his birth. McKinley made a touching reference during his remarks to Oglesby who was one of Lincoln's associates and when McKinley had finished his speech there were calls for Oglesby who had not been assigned a speech on the program. The call was so spontaneous and universal among the 1,500 guests that Oglesby yielded and made a speech that pleased everybody, and one that under the conditions prevailing at this time should cause a general demand that Oglesby be sent to the National convention from this state as a delegate at large. He belongs to no machine and would represent the people of the state. Following is his speech:

"I was particularly struck with the correct and the big appreciation of the character of Abraham Lincoln in the address of Mr. McKinley. The subject of the life and character of Lincoln is vast. The world has passed its estimate on his character and no orator can add to it. He has already gone almost into the mythical region. It is impossible even for those who knew him to grasp the greatness of his character. He was not an enigma, for he was a plain and simple man. He was a truthful man. He was a merciful man. He was capable of strong, clear, honest, connected thought. He did not mingle with the world much. He never dreamed he had a superior on earth. He knew he had no inferior. All Americans knew him, although few were associated with him, many here knew him personally. In the face of all this I must say I was delighted with Mr. McKinley's address. I was equally well pleased with his sublime utterances on the subject of American protection. We want men now for candidates for the presidency who are capable of understanding the conditions and necessities of the time. We want candidates who are not above being president. To be president of the United States means to honestly, industriously, courageously serve the American people. [Applause.]

I am not so much concerned about the Monroe doctrine. Old Salisbury—Lord Salisbury, I should have said—[laughter]—said, the other day: 'I am in favor of the Monroe doctrine as President Monroe understood it, and as I understand it.' I am in favor of that, too. [Laughter.] I don't think Monroe meant that we should go galavanting about the American continent to set up a protectorate over every republic that can be found. Our chief business consists in taking care of our own business. [Applause.] These minor questions are of no great consequence now, and they are not likely to be for six months to come. [Laughter.] I want Venezuela known as Guinea she can get, and I think Great Britain will have all she needs with what is left. That matter doesn't greatly concern our people.

Our great interests at home, our commerce, our agriculture, our manufactures, our business interests of all kinds struggling under depressing conditions demand immediate attention. The Republican party has always been strong and intelligent enough to grasp any question that has come up before the American people. It never hesitates to attack any question and seek a solution. When in trouble the eyes of the north, and if we may believe Senator Pritchard, now the eyes of the south—[applause]—turn to the Republican party for relief. As long as we preserve our dignity and self respect and stand up as courageously for the credit of the Republican party as we stood up for the Union during the war, there will be no reason why the will be dependency, the clouds of adversity will be dissipated, and the country will stand on the good, firm rock of hope and prosperity. [Tremendous applause and cheer.]

It is mere trifling with the public welfare for the senate to spend week after week discussing and pettifoggery over a question that is manifestly incapable of solution. [Applause.] Why, we are all bi-metalists, but we don't mean by that that we want one metal to impinge on, root and drive out another. That is bi-devilmentism. [Laughter.] There has never been a time since the war that the republican party has not wanted as good as any other dollar of American money as good as any other dollar of that money. [Applause.] The great backs were a legal tender, except for a few minor debts. Who made them a legal tender? Who took them for putting their lives at stake to serve the government and sent them home and put them into circulation? Why, the boys in blue. [Applause.]

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ing \$8 a month. [Laughter.] The soldiers are not all dead. The great organization, the Grand Army of the Republic, is not yet extinct [applause], and the sentiment of patriotism is not dead. [Applause.]

We fought the rebels of the south for four years, and ours were as brave an army as ever went to war. And you rebels (turning to Senator Pritchard, of North Carolina), fought us as bravely I feel that the south made one mistake during the war. That was in the treatment of her prisoners, but that is past. Never a braver army fought under the sun than the old rebels who fought us boys in blue. [Applause.] Now I want them to vote with us. [Laughter.] Let us come together in peace, and revivify the old Union once more. [Applause.] Let us have a feast of love, and no famine any longer. If any of us have made mistakes in the past let us about face and make up our minds to be foolish no longer.

ON LINCOLN SQUARE.

Grand Opening of New Transfer Station Friday Night—Descriptive—Free Ride.

The new transfer house on Lincoln square will be formally opened Friday evening. The heating apparatus in the old house was out of order this morning so the new place was occupied. The interior work on the new house is about completed and the place looks very comfortable. There are four outside doors on each side of the house. There are stationary seats for 44 persons around the side. In the center is the office of the street car company where tickets are sold and business transacted. The house is heated by steam supplied from the Whitely plant. There is a tile floor and the wood walls and decorations are handsome and tasteful. High up on the wall advertisements of different firms are artistically painted. When all the electric lights are turned on the house looks very pretty. There is yet some work to be done on the outside. A cement walk will be laid from the doors to the street car tracks and some other improvements will be made. The transfer house is a substantial building, but it is also a pretty one and is an ornament to the square. Passengers who want to wait for a car can make themselves as pleasant and comfortable as if they were in their own homes. To-morrow night everyone will be carried on the street cars free of charge and the place will be opened for the inspection of the public. One dollar will buy thirty tickets to-morrow night only. Salesladies and clerks should make a note of this opportunity to get car rides at 3½ cents a trip and lay in a supply.

Improvement Items.

The work of building the brick foundation to support the sidewalk around the Powers' building is progressing rapidly. The work is more than half done. Architect Stine has completed the plans for a handsome nine room house which P. M. Smallwood will erect at Weldon. There are quite a number of other houses which will be built in the smaller towns near here.

The men are at work digging the foundation for the Shlaudemann hotel which will be erected on the three cornered lot at the intersection of Front and streets.

Frank Wells is remodeling a house in the last block on West William street. It is being raised and another story built under it. The work is in charge of I. D. Stine.

The top floor of the Gallagher block is being finished for a lodge room, and when completed will be quite a handsome place. There will be a large lodge room in the front, a banquet hall in the back and dressing rooms and closets between.

Newspaper History.

A. H. C. Barber, who has read the *Clinton Public* and its predecessor since 1856, gives the following history of that paper: "In 1856 the Republicans of this county induced I. N. Coltrin to establish the *Central Transcript*. In 1862 Coltrin sold out to DeLevis & Morrison, of the *Pana Public*. They changed the name to the *Clinton Public*. In 1870 Mr. DeLevis was appointed Deputy United States Marshal, and the paper was sold to George B. Richardson, who in 1872 sold it to Richard Butler. Hon. C. H. Moore and Col. John Warner aided Coltrin to establish the paper and have been continuous subscribers. I also understand that Mr. Moore has a complete file of the paper. Hon. V. Warner, when a boy, worked in the office of the *Transcript*, and has also probably been a continuous reader." Mr. Coltrin is now and has been since 1867, a compositor in the Decatur REPUBLICAN office.

A Good Chance.

A change to get a supply of street car tickets to last awhile and at a low price will be given Friday night by the street car company. That night only, thirty tickets will be sold for \$1. Clerks, office men, professional men and salesladies should make a note of this opportunity.

Born.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris, of 1348 North Main street, on February 18, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller, on North Clinton street, on Wednesday, Feb. 19, a son.

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